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Not all Breeds are treated equal, and humanity is to blame

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Introduction

We know dogs are descendants from wolves, but ever since Ancient Greece these animals have been given ethical and moral obligations. Good dogs obey their masters. The dog can choose to follow the owner's bidding, and the owner can train their dog to harm other individuals.

Physical Appearance

There are specific traits in dogs that tend to frighten people.

1. Size. Larger dogs tend to pose a bigger threat to humans.
2. Coat Shade. Darker colored dogs are less likely to be adopted from shelters.
3. Wolf-like facial features. Pointed ears, sharp teeth – it is natural to fear things that look like they could eat us.

Breeds

The type of dog more than its size, shape, or color, is the most important factor in determining whether it has a home or even a city to call home.

An Open Mind

Every dog is different, just like every person. It is wrong to group them together and judge them based on breed, just like it is wrong to judge based on human skin color.

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Why Dogs Are Feared

Determining if a dog is a dangerous beast or man's best friend

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Above pictures a Pit Bull – a dog without specific breed legislations that could be countless mixes, sizes, and colors. The only thing Pit bulls have in common is a strong jaw and blockish face. Automatically labeled by appearance.



The temperaments of German Shepherds, Rottweilers, and Boxers are normal compared to other dogs. Personality, origin, and social upbringing determine aggression in dogs.

BBD

Dogs that are both big and black are less likely to be adopted from shelters – a phenomenon called Big Black Dog Syndrome or BBD. There are inconsistencies, of course, in some studies smaller dogs are less likely to find a home and black labs are a popular dog. But for the most part, dark large dogs are avoided. This may be because of Western superstitions that link dogs and death or the devil closely together, such as the Grimm.

Pit Bulls

Deemed the most dangerous dog breed in America, Pit Bulls were once called “Nanny dogs” due to their caring nature towards children. News Coverage on dog fights and tragedies has destroyed their previous image.

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